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NEW COAL DEPOSIT FOUND;
MINES, LIGNITE BEING MODERNIZED

NEW DEPOSITS DISCOVERED -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 162, 17 Aug 49

Deposits of lignite coal have been found on the bank of the Abrosimovka River by a scientific associate of the Tara Museum. Omsk Oblast. -- Reprinted from Omskaya Pravda

MINES INCREASE LABOR PRODUCTIVITY -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 13, 20 Jul 49

Results for the first 6 months of 1949 in the Artem coal mines, Primorskiy Kray, indicate that the mines should be able to fulfill their pledges to exceed the plan for major preparatory work by 9 percent and increase labor productivity 11 percent over 1948 by Miners' Day, 28 August. The chief organizational innovation which is making possible a sharp increase in labor productivity is the use of the two-shift system of mining instead of the three-shift. Tests indicate that, even in an average size mine, 36 auxiliary workers can be released and the average daily volume of coal mined increased. It is expected that use of the two-shift system will increase labor productivity 14.6 percent and decrease the cost of one ton of coal by 2 rubles 34 kopeks. In the two-shift system, the former third shift is used in preparing the work area and repairing machinery, which improves the operation of the two mining shifts. Machines are now being drawn up to introduce the system on a wider scale.

Shipment of coal to consumers has improved and the plan for 1949 exceeded 10 percent. The year plan for housing construction was completed in 10 weeks, and an additional year plan will be completed by the end of the year. Three boarding houses have been built and three more will be completed by the end of the year.

Krasnoye Znamya, No 13, 23 Jul 49

In June, Mine No 3-ts of the Artem Coal Trust, Primorskiy Kray, exceeded the plan for labor productivity by 7.8 percent and reduced the ash content of

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coal 0.79 percent. The cost of one ton of coal decreased 68 kopeks in May and 2 rubles 66 kopeks in June as compared with the first-quarter cost. The extent of mining operations has increased 16 percent over the first quarter.

Twenty-five percent of the mine's pieceworkers are not meeting their norms. Coal and rock loading machines and mechanical shovels are producing at only 60 percent of their planned capacity. In the fourth quarter, 30 additional mechanical shovels will be put into the drifts and in the first quarter 1950, the mine will convert to complex mechanization.

KUZBASS GETS NEW MACHINERY -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 162, 17 Aug 49

Engineers, designers, and scientific workers of the Novosibirsk Affiliate of the Planning, Designing, and Experimental Institute of Coal-Machine Building are assisting Kuzbass miners in introducing modern domestic technology into the mines. The highly productive "Donbass" coal combine is being introduced successfully in the "Leninugol" Trust. This combine is being used extensively in the Ukraine and has mined as much as 8,000 tons of coal per month. It has also had good results in the "Molotovugol" Trust where it has achieved a daily rate of 200 tons. The "VPM-I" cutting and loading machine will soon be put into operation in the Kuzbass mines. The machine has mined nearly 7,000 tons of coal in 25 days in tests at Leninsk mines. New machines will mean a 70-percent saving of manpower.

INHALER INSTALLED IN DONBASS -- Trud, No 186, 9 Aug 49

The first mine inhaler in the Donbass has been installed at a coal mine of the "Kuybyshevugol" Trust. The inhaler is used for both preventative and medical treatment. It was made by the Kharkov Experimental Scientific Research Institute of Endocrinology. Similar inhalers will soon be installed in a number of other mines.

COMBINE REACHES 1950 LEVEL -- Pravda, No 231, 19 Aug 49

The "Karagandaugol" Coal Combine has reached the level of coal mining set for 1950. More than half of the combine's mines have exceeded the 1950 level.

INSTITUTES OFFER NEW COURSES -- Krasnoye Znamya, No 169, 20 Jul 49

Registration has begun in the higher engineering courses which the Ministry of Coal Industry has organized in the Donetsk Industrial, Sverdlovsk and Tomsk Polytechnical, and the Dnepropetrovsk Mine institutes. The study course is from 2 to 3 years. Students will consist mainly of workers who have had technical education and no less than 5 years of experience in the coal industry. Upon completion of the course, they will receive a mine engineer's diploma.

To advance the qualifications of instructors in the ministry's technical schools, special courses were organized in the Moscow Mine Institute and are being attended by more than 200 persons this summer. Many instructors in special subjects have been sent to the best mines to learn new mine technology. More than 80,000 square meters of new buildings and housing will be put into operation at the technical schools by the beginning of the new school year. One hundred laboratories, study rooms, and workshops will be newly opened. Technical schools will receive this year 20 million rubles' worth of various equipment, including electric mine locomotives, mine combines, drills, machine tools, electric measuring instruments, and electrical equipment. The Kharkov school has production shops which turn out large numbers of operating models of mine equipment, mine workings, and coal pits.

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WORKERS WANTED -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 155, 7 Aug 49

The Geology Administration of the Central Laboratory needs analytical chemists. Apply: ulitsa Kol'tsova, 136 /Novosibirsk/. -- Advertisement

The "Zapsibvzrybrom" (West Siberian Demolition Industry) needs mine technicians, demolition workers, and plasterers for permanent work outside the city. Apply: Personnel Department, ulitsa Shchetinkina, 55. -- Advertisement

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